

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Andreas BERGMANN

Group Art Unit 1641

Serial No.: 10/551,298

Examiner: Christine E. Foster

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For: DETERMINATION OF A MIDREGIONAL PROADRENOMEDULLIN  
PARTIAL PEPTIDE IN BIOLOGICAL FLUIDS FOR DIAGNOSTIC  
PURPOSES, AND IMMUNOASSAYS FOR CARRYING OUT SUCH  
A DETERMINATION

**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated March 27, 2008, applicants submit a petition for a three month extension of time.

Kindly consider the following Listing and Amendment to the Claims and Remarks.

The Listing and Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2 of this response.

The Remarks begin on page 8 of this response.